

[011] However, a disadvantage with this is that the boots can only be put on once the ~~soldier~~ soldier has put on the protective suit. But since the protective suits are usually very stiff, it is comparatively difficult to pull on the overboots. Nor are the known overboots breathable and they are comparatively cumbersome and large. Moreover, since they are separate from the protective suits they are also liable to be lost.

[020] When hydrophilic membranes, for example, as opposed to hydrophobic membranes such as polyester, polyether, polyester copolymer and the like, are used, ~~for example,~~ there will be no microporosity, and this provides a barrier against biological noxants. However, water vapor molecules are nonetheless capable of passing through, water is not.

[043] The outersock 1 and innersock [[2]] 3 can be fabricated from a plurality of cuts. Of course, the outersock 1 and the innersock 3 can also be woven or loop-formingly knit without seam. The laminate 2 can be produced from three cuts, as shown in Figures Figs. 3 to 5. Fig. 3 shows the cut for a shaft 4 of the laminate. Fig. 4 shows the cut for a foot upper part 5 and Fig. 5 shows a cut for a sole 6 of the laminate. The same applies mutatis mutandis to the outersock 1 when it is likewise fabricated from cuts.